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Eiji KAMBARA, et al.

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For: CRIMPED CARBON FIBER AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2009, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 13 to 18 are all the claims pending in the application.

Claims 1-6, 8 and 9 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by the newly cited U.S. Patent 4,816,289 to Komatsu et al.

In addition, claims 7, 10, 11 and 13 to 18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as obvious over the newly cited U.S. Patent 4,816,289 to Komatsu et al.

Applicants submit that Komatsu et al do not disclose or render obvious the subject matter of the present invention and, accordingly, request withdrawal of these rejections.